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COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA

STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION

AT RICHMOND, AUGUST 21, 2001

PETITION OF

CATOCTIN EXCHANGE CUSTOMERS

CASE NO. PUC010139

For Extended Local Service from
Verizon Virginia Inc.'s Catoctin
Exchange to its Herndon, Fairfax-
Vienna, Alexandria-Arlington, and
Falls Church-McLean exchanges

ORDER DIRECTING POLL

In November 2000, telephone subscribers in Verizon Virginia Inc.'s ("Verizon Virginia") Catoctin exchange petitioned the State Corporation Commission ("Commission") for local calling to the Herndon, Fairfax-Vienna, Alexandria-Arlington, and Falls Church-McLean exchanges. On April 26, 2001, the Commission accepted a cost study from Verizon Virginia that was used to estimate the approximate change in the monthly rate for service that will result from the extension of local calling.

NOW THE COMMISSION, having considered the petition and § 56-484.2 of the Code of Virginia, finds that this matter should be docketed, and that Verizon Virginia should poll its subscribers in the Catoctin exchange regarding their willingness to pay higher rates for local calling to the Herndon, Fairfax-Vienna, Alexandria-Arlington, and Falls Church-McLean exchanges.

Accordingly, IT IS ORDERED THAT:

(1) This matter is docketed and assigned Case No. PUC010139.

(2) Verizon Virginia shall poll its Catoctin exchange customers to determine whether a majority of those customers are willing to pay an increase in rates for local calling to the Herndon, Fairfax-Vienna, Alexandria-Arlington, and Falls Church-McLean exchanges, and Verizon Virginia shall file the results of its poll with the Commission on or before November 16, 2001.

(3) This matter is continued for further orders of the Commission.